Mary Mother of the Church Catholic Parish

Mary Immaculate Church
4 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe

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As a Parish Community we value Inclusion, Hospitality, Service and Mission

Bookings: Parish Office: 9926 2310 for use of facilities, sacramental enrolments or appointments for Marriage etc.
Our Parish *is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. If you wish to report any safeguarding issue contact the Chair of our Safeguarding Committee, Lucy Dal Pozzo, via the Parish Office.*

Temporary Mass Times until completion of our New Parish Centre and the reopening of Mary Immaculate Church

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday	**6.00pm**	**St. Bernadette's**
Sunday	**9.30am**	**St. Bernadette's**

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday	**9.15am**	**St. Bernadette's**
Wednesday	**9.15am**	**St. Bernadette's**
Thursday	**9.15am**	**St. Bernadette's**
Friday	**9.15am**	**St. Bernadette's**
Saturday	**9.15am**	**St. Bernadette's**

Please check times by referring to Parish Weekly Calendar on Page 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday at St. Bernadette's
9.45am (after 9.15am Mass) & 5.30pm

Baptisms and other Sacraments

See information on our website - BUT advertised dates, times & places for the next few months are redundant and must be confirmed by contacting Fr. Bill.

Occupancy of Parish Centre Delayed

The following is an adapted version of Pat Kelly's address to the congregation at last weekend's Masses…..

"…….our planned first Mass at Mary Immaculate has again been delayed. This is very disappointing news.

We previously advised that the Building Inspector had commenced his review of the project and that the process of obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy was underway. There were some items to be changed but it was understood that these could be readily addressed.

The Building Inspector has now advised that the process of obtaining all the necessary approvals will not be completed this week and we cannot expect the Certificate of Occupancy in the expected timeframe. Therefore, we have had to defer our planned first Mass.

Considering this advice, Fr Bill and I have taken the decision that we will not advertise the date of the first Mass until we have the Certificate of Occupancy in hand.

After the long delay to our project due to Covid, this is the last step. We will soon be in our refurbished Mary Immaculate Church and our new Parish Centre.

Until further notice all Masses will be at St. Bernadette's at the times advertised in the newsletter.

Pat Kelly
(Project Manager)

Ivanhoe Parish Primary Schools

Mary Immaculate Primary School
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St Bernadette's Primary School
Acting Principal: Viv Armarego
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As a Catholic Community we respect the Wurrundjeri people, traditional custodians of the land upon which our parish resides, and commit ourselves to reconciliation and justice for all in our community and nation.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday 6 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's
9.45am Reconciliation at St Bernadette's
10.30am **CANCELLED** Orientation Session for those exercising parish ministries at the new Parish Centre
5.30pm Reconciliation at St Bernadette's
6.00pm Mass at St Bernadette's

Sunday 7 May ***(5th Sunday of Easter)***
9.30am Mass at St Bernadette's

Monday 8 May *(Easter Feria)*

Tuesday 9 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's
10.30am Funeral Mass for Dorothy Tomlinson at SB
4.15pm Meditation Group at St Bernadette's

Wednesday 10 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's

Thursday 11 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's
9.45am Gospel & Coffee Discussion Group at SB
7.00pm MI School Advisory Council

Friday 12 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St. Bernadette's

Saturday 13 May *(Easter Feria)*
9.15am Mass at St Bernadette's
9.45am Reconciliation at St Bernadette's
5.30pm Reconciliation at St Bernadette's
6.00pm Mass at St Bernadette's

Sunday 14 May ***(6th Sunday of Easter)***
9.30am Mass at St Bernadette's

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday 17 May
7.30pm Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee Joint Meeting. Venue to be advised.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

To support the annual Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal and the Church's pastoral work in prisons, hospitals etc..

NEWS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER

All items for the parish newsletter and names for the Prayers of the Community must be submitted to the parish office by 10am on a Thursday to ensure publication.

ROSTERS: Because of the delay in moving to Mary Immaculate please note minor changes to the Liturgy Roster. Please see amended roster on page 2 of the weekly newsletter. The weekly newsletter can be viewed on our website home page from about 2pm each Friday by going to www.melbcatholic.org/ivanhoe

MASS ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 6/7 May	NEXT WEEKEND 13/14 May
6pm St Bernadette's		
Sacristan	J. Gray	
Welcomer 1	K. Gillespie	M. Gratton
Welcomer 2	S. Moorhen	D. Landsberg
Lector	C. Dixon	M. Gratton
Special Minister	T. Bui	T. Nibali
Multimedia	G. Shamieh	S. Moorhen
9.30am St Bernadette's		
Sacristan	E. Ballao	A. Bhaskara
Welcomer 1	A. Barro	M. Chiu
Welcomer 2	R. Beltrame	B. Connor
Reader	M-R Auguste	T. Barker
Lector	D. Todaro	K. Bator
Special Minister	M. Gilbo	D. Jones
Multimedia	E. Ballao	N. Merlin

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

SICK: Dal Bellio, Fr Reece Beltrame, Stefanie Cremasco, John Ryan, Giovannina Pesavento, Svetka & Michael Vukic, Christine Lane, Choo Reutens

RECENT DEATHS: Markus Sularno

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Jim Lane, Ellen Boyd, Frances Barry, Peter Patti, Sebastiana Platania, William Edward Gilbo, Peta Hickey, Tricia Erbacher, Thelma Edebohls, Tony Rahme, Antonio Botia, Jose Lat, Giuseppe Ginevra, Matthew Ryan, Frank Nastasi

NAMES OF THE SICK & THE DEAD *for inclusion in newsletter must be sent to the parish office by Thursday 10am.*
Names on sick list remain for 9 weeks (a Novena) unless otherwise advised. For privacy reasons people must give their permission before their names can be included.

NOTE: PARISH OFFICE TELEPHONE LINE

Currently our temporary Parish Office does not have a telephone, as the line has been relocated to our new office. But you can still call our number and leave a message and we will return your call. If possible email the Office with any enquires: Ivanhoe@cam.org.au or phone Fr. Bill's mobile 0427 879 733

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH Collection	Envelopes:	$566	**PRESBYTERY Collection**	Envelopes:	$456
	Loose:	$209		Loose:	$209
	EFT:	$1,306		EFT:	$369
Total (Parish Account)		**$2,081**	**Total (Presbytery Account)**		**$1,034**

Parish Climate Action Group

Catholic Earthcare Prayer

God of the sun and the moon,
of the mountains, deserts and plains;

God of the mighty oceans,
and of rivers, lakes and streams;

God of all creatures who live in the seas
and fly in the air;
of every living thing that grows and
moves on this sacred earth -

Help us to love and respect it,
to repair what we have damaged,
to care for what you have made good and holy.

Give us the wisdom and the passion to
change our minds and hearts and our ways.

Let us be mustard seeds in our world
bringing about ecological conversion which
grows and spreads to every corner of the
earth.

For our sake now,
and for every generation which is to come.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

(Adapted from the Catholic Earthcare Launch, 2002)

Thanks

Many thanks to those who helped keep the show on the road while Fr. Bill was on sick leave, especially Merle Gilbo and Tony Nibali for assisting with our Communion Services, and Fr. Barry Caldwell and Fr. Joseph Youn who presided over our Masses.

Living the Gospel – The Way, the Truth and the Life

The gospel readings for this week and next week shift the focus away from the resurrection and begin to set us up for the departure of Jesus from the earth – the Ascension – and the sending of the Holy Spirit – the Pentecost event.

When Thomas asks, 'we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus answers by saying, 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.' The reader of the gospel has known this truth all along from the opening line of the gospel, 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.' Our aim, as Christian people, is to be one with God, not only by sharing in the resurrection but also in the way we live. Jesus makes clear that the way to be with God is by following his example.

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Forgiveness

If we want to be happy, we need to forgive

Lindy Chamberlin

I am often asked why I am not angry and bitter about what has happened in my life. This is the way I look at it, writes Lindy Chamberlain-Creighton in Aurora.

We will be betrayed in life and it is not always intentional or personal. Sometimes it is because our expectations are unreasonable. It isn't easy to remain calm when everything goes wrong. We need to know when we are knocked down that it is important not to stay down.

When someone does something nasty to us or makes a mistake, we need to rub it out, put it behind us and carry on, not rub it in until it is a permanent stain on everything we do, think and are.

Mother Teresa is reported to have had these words on her wall: "People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centred: forgive them anyway." If we have faith in God and in ourselves, nothing can permanently affect us.

Resentment, hatred, anger and emotional hurt can all be justified at times. However, the cost of not forgiving is far too high. Bemoaning what we don't have, or what we want to change, means we can't enjoy fully what we do have.

No matter how much we read or are told that we need to forgive, it is simply academic, and is of little use unless we know how to go about it, and are ready to do so. We hold on to the past unless we can see something better in the future.

When we are still hurt and angry over what has happened to us, we tend to use anger as a suit of armour to shield ourselves from the possibility of any further real or imagined hurt. Eleanor Roosevelt wrote, "Anger is only one letter short of Danger."

We want rectification, which is often impossible, so we channel our frustration into anger. Until we see another way to move ahead, we at least feel like we have some control while we make angry plans for revenge or restitution. We are not really in control. It is the anger that controls us. We cannot move forward in this state, but can make everything worse.

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1ST READING Acts 6:1-7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R/ **Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. ***R/***

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. ***R/***

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, ***.R/***

2ND READING 1 Peter 2:4-9

A reading from the 1st letter of St Peter

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 14:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' '

Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

'I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish, so that inspired by your word, nourished at your altar, and graced by your empowering love, our lives may be devoted to the service of our brothers and sisters, and the building up of your Kingdom. May our parish community, under the Patronage of Mary, Mother of the Church, truly be for this place and time the body of Christ your Son, through whom we make this prayer. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church:

Pray for us.

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Next Week: 6th Sunday of Easter
1st Reading: Acts 8:5-8,14-17
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18
Gospel: John 14:15-21